



RCMP O DIVISION CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
Border Integrity Open Source Results for 2022-02-21, 1000 hours

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AIM

To provide RCMP O Division with passive open source information identified on 2022-02-21 by 1000 hours, pertaining to the ongoing protests known as the "Freedom Convoy" at or near Ontario land and air ports of entry (POE).

KEY FINDINGS

- Publicly visible posts on social media continue to predominately relate to events in Ottawa area.
- There is a possible vaccine mandate protest at Sarnia City Hall scheduled at 1200 hours today; no information surfaced suggesting this would affect operations at the Blue Water Bridge.
- Demonstrations to support returning protestors could be planned during this upcoming week, potentially disrupting local traffic.

NIAGARA REGION

The Facebook page "Niagara Peninsula Convoy 2022" is reporting there was a spontaneous convoy last night in the Niagara area comprised of numerous vehicles. This demonstration was to welcome back one of the Ottawa protestors (G1 of "Jason", no further information) who was released from custody and he returned home.ⁱ Several members of the group expressed disappointment the convoy was called last minute as they wanted to participate. Given this show of online support, there is the possibility of demonstrations developing in the future.

Peace Bridge/Rainbow/Whirlpool/Queenston-Lewiston Bridge

KINGSTON

No posts of concern observed regarding these locations.

CORNWALL

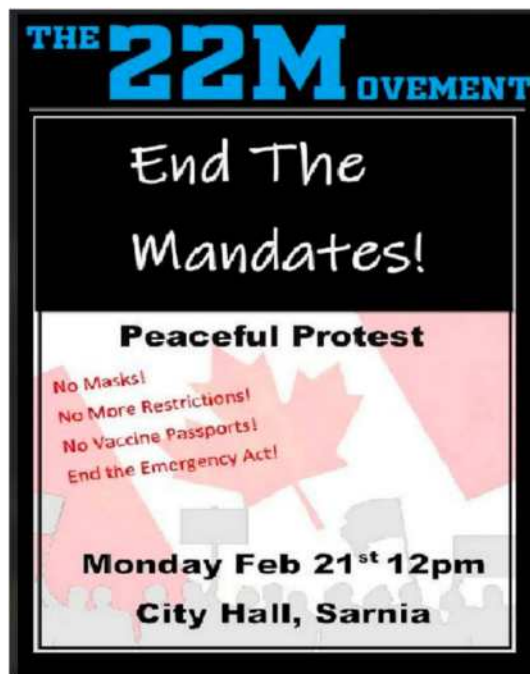
No posts of concern observed regarding these locations.

WINDSOR

Publicly visible posts on social media continue to predominately relate to events in the Ottawa area.

SARNIA

In the s.37 s.37, a user shared a post advertising a protest at Sarnia's City Hall for 2022-02-21 at 1200 hours (Figure 1).ⁱⁱ The post was shared twice in the chat, but there are no comments indicating support for the event. Searches on Facebook, Twitter, and other s.37 did not reveal additional information about the possible event. No information was found indicating this would affect the Blue Water Bridge.



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SAULT STE. MARIE

No posts of concern were observed since the last report.

OTTAWA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – YOW

No posts of concern were observed since the last report.

TORONTO PEARSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – YYZ

No posts of concern were observed since the last report.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

There has been a marked decrease on social media in regards to future protest activities at or near Ontario land and air POEs. It is possible that demonstrations may surface in the coming days or weeks, however, no specific dates, times or locations have been observed.

LIIMITATIONS

Although every effort has been made to review all publicly visible social media and web sources for information relevant to this brief, the absence of threat information herein should not be taken as an exhaustive examination of potential threats. A large volume of information is available online and constantly evolving.

DISSEMINATION

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ⁱ [U] Facebook group "Niagara Peninsula Convoy 2022". <https://www.facebook.com/groups/653566695959635/>, accessed 2022-02-21.

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